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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Wednesday 8th May 2024

Greening Mysuru: MGP to hold monthly meeting on May 12

Mysuru, May 8- Last November, Nitte University had released a Tree Count Report of Mangaluru City. It had showed shocking level of 6.24% of green cover for public space while the total green cover was 41.9%. Mangaluru temperature has increased from 32.2^0 C in 2014 to 32.95^0 C in 2022.

Report has also shown that Wards where green cover has decreased temperature rise is as much as 2.24^0 C. At the other extreme where green coverage has not decreased and even increased, temperature has declined by 1.49^0 C.

"We in Mysuru should learn a lesson from the above report to increase green coverage to lower temperature. Every report dealing with the existential climate change crisis has been exhorting the nations to increase green coverage. It is high time that we the people get involved," stated a press release from the President of Mysore Grahakara Parishat (MGP).

"We often expect Forest Department and Mysuru City Corporation to take up such activities. Still there are some dedicated and concerned individuals in our city who have on their own taken keen interest to green Mysuru. One such individual is Raghavan of Raghulal & Co. The May monthly meeting of MGP will have an interaction to develop strategies to involve more people in greening Mysuru," the release added.

Experts from Forest Department and Dr. Shankar Bhat, retired Botany Professor, will lead the discussion. The meeting will be held on Sunday (May 12) at 4 pm at MGP office, Vivekananda Road, Yadavagiri. For details contact Ph: 0821-2515150.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

REGULATING HATE SPEECH: *The prevalent response to hate speech often involves its normalisation as an unavoidable facet of contemporary political discourse. This is also due to its widespread occurrence, leading many to believe that strict measures would implicate nearly everyone. However, adopting such a complacent attitude only serves to aggravate the issue. Moreover, a tendency exists to downplay the inherent dangers of hate speech by disguising it as academic or political debate. This dangerous trend legitimises and normalises hate speech within our political conversations, disregarding its dangers. In a society rife with oppression, inequality and social disorder, the repercussions of this normalisation are ominous.*

An effective legal framework is essential for addressing hate speech, but it must be robust enough to address even potential harm. However, beyond legal measures, proactive initiatives are imperative, including vigilant monitoring of its harmful impacts, fostering awareness against disinformation and information literacy campaigns and mobilising civil society towards inclusivity and social justice.

Ultimately, as a civil society committed to respecting and safeguarding the rights of all individuals, it is incumbent upon all to take concerted action against hate speech. Engaging in dialogue, education and advocacy can mitigate its harmful effects and promote a culture of tolerance and mutual respect. That, indeed, is the need of the hour.

—P. John J. Kennedy in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Display of avocados breaks world record

Dallas: A grocery store in Texas broke a Guinness World Record by gathering more than 3,11,000 avocados into a single display.

The El Rio Grande Latin Market in Dallas celebrated the Cinco de Mayo by amassing 86,764 pounds of avocados into the world's largest fruit display.

The display was examined by a Guinness World Records adjudicator and confirmed to be the largest in the world.

The display was set up on Friday and kept in place over the weekend so Cinco de Mayo revellers could visit the record-breaking avocado collection and pose for photos.

Horse breaks world record for longest tail

Florence: A miniature horse in South Carolina broke a world record for longest tail on a miniature horse with locks measuring 5 feet, 11.26 inches.

The horse, named Sweetie, stands 3 feet, 1 inch tall and is 36 years old. Her owner, Risa Formisano, told Guinness World Records she wraps up Sweety's tail to keep it from dragging behind her. She also washes and conditions it twice a year.

Formisano brought Sweetie home in 2012 to comfort two horses after the death of another horse. Her owner was looking to rehome her at the time.

"I went to his barn, trailer in tow, and picked up Sweetie. She hopped right in the trailer and the rest is history," Formisano said. Sweetie's tail first reached the ground in 2012, and it has been growing ever since.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Higher temperatures and humidity levels prompt the skin's oil glands to produce more sebum. It can result in a more oily complexion and exacerbate conditions like acne, particularly in the T-zone area.

By Dr. Ravi S - Consultant - Dermatology & Cosmetologist
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Narayana Hrudayalaya holds health camp at Elder Citizens Council

A free health check-up camp by doctors from Narayana Hrudayalaya was organised by Elder Citizens Council and the Elder Citizens Trust at the Council premises in Jayalakshmipuram, Mysuru, on Apr. 28. The camp included BP, Diabetes (sugar levels), ECG, hearing test, specifically for senior citizens. More than 50 members benefited from the camp. Trust Chairman Gowdappa, Council President Dr. H.M. Nagaraj, Vice-President K.V. Ramanath, Secretary K.S. Krishna, Treasurer Prof. Javare Gowda, L.N. Achar Sridhar, D.R. Srinivas, Venkateshaiah, Suseela Mari Gowda, Ranganatha Rao and his wife, Swamy Gowda family, P.B. Ramanna and many others were present.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM	KABINI DAM	HARANGI DAM
Maximum **124.80 feet**	Maximum **2,284.00 feet**	Maximum **2,859.00 feet**
Yesterday's level **80.22 feet**	Today's level **2,258.21 feet**	Today's level **2,823.41 feet**
Last year's level **85.26 feet**	Last year's level **2,252.52 feet**	Last year's level **2,820.02 feet**
Monday's level **80.38 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,258.42 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,823.53 feet**
Yesterday's Inflow **165 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **46 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **249 cusecs**
Yesterday's Outflow **881 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **800 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **350 cusecs**

REALLY...?

- *Oysters change their gender.*
- *An oyster can filter 1.3 gallons of water per hour.*
- *Oysters contain a variety of vitamins and nutrients including zinc, calcium, magnesium, protein, selenium and vitamin A. They also contain especially high levels of vitamin B12, iron and mono-unsaturated fat, the "healthy" kind of fat that you also find in olive oil.*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

"What were you before you came to school, boys and girls?" asked the teacher, hoping that someone would say "babies."
But the teacher was disappointed when all the children cried out, "HAPPY!"

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= **Rs. 83.49**
1 UK Pound	= **Rs. 104.28**
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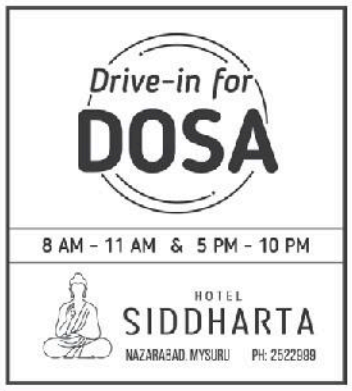

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FUND CRUNCH

halts underground electric cabling works in city

File photo of underground electric cabling work taken up on Dhanvanthri Road in 2019 by Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC). Picture right shows workers clearing the fallen electric cables following last Friday's rains on Manandavadi Road.

Mysuru, May 8 (RK&BS)- With only 12 days remaining until the completion of its first year in office, the Siddaramaiah-led Congress Government faces challenges in prioritising developmental works amidst the implementation of five pre-poll guarantees including 200 units of free power, costing the exchequer to a great extent.

The underground (UG) electric cable network project aimed at modernising the city's power supply infrastructure is currently at a standstill as the Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission (KERC) has cited financial constraints. The initiative, designed to replace conventional power supply methods with underground cables, holds promise in mitigating risks posed by low-hanging overhead cables, which have previously resulted in fatal electrocution incidents, especially after heavy rains.

The first phase of the project has covered 30 percent of the city's area with a UG cable network, requiring an investment of Rs. 300 crore. However, the subsequent phase to extend this network to the entire city requires a budget of Rs. 600 crore.

As technology continues to evolve, Governments prioritise enhancement of existing civic infrastructure. The adoption of UG cable networks for power supply represents a progressive shift. Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) is replacing traditional overhead cables.

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To Our Readers

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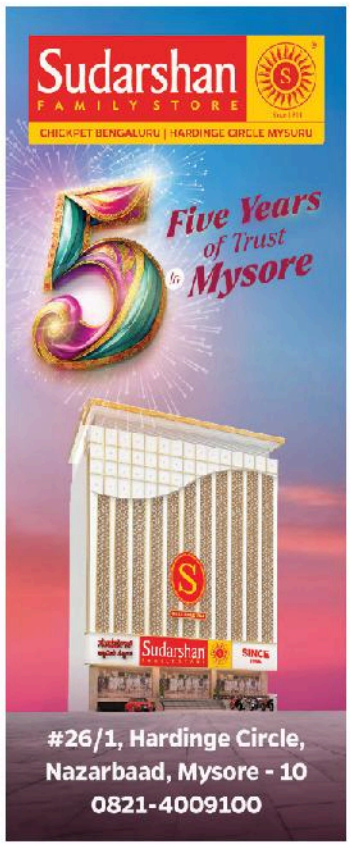

NEWS BRIEFS

SSLC exam results

Karnataka School Examination and Assessment Board (KSEAB) will announce the SSLC (2023-24) exam results either on May 9 or 10. The SSLC exam was held from Mar. 25 to Apr. 6 at 2,570 centres across the State. As many as 8.69 lakh students, including 18,225 private and 41,375 repeaters had registered for the exam.

Admissions open for Special School

Sai Ranga Vidya Samsthe, a free residential school for hearing impaired boys at Bannimantap, has invited applications from eligible students for admissions to 1 Std. to 10 Std. Students admitted will be provided free food, boarding and education. Apart from academics, vocational courses like tailoring and computer education will also be provided. Though there is concession in English exam for hearing impaired boys, they will be taught English too at the School. For details, call Y.V. Raghunatha Gowda on Mob: 93421-12736.

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TODAY'S MATCH (MAY 8)

SRH Vs **LSG**

Rajiv Gandhi Intl. Stadium, Hyderabad — **7.30 pm**

TOMORROW'S MATCH (MAY 9)

PBKS Vs **RCB**

HPCA Stadium, Dharamsala — **7.30 pm**

YESTERDAY'S RESULT

DC - 221 / 8 (20)

BEAT

RR - 201 / 8 (20)

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STAR SPORTS & JioCinema

[Source: www.iplt20.com]

Youth in birthday mood killed in rain fury

28-year-old Karthik of G. Bommanahalli dies as tree falls on van in Mandya; two friends have a providential escape

Mandya, May 8 (BS)- Heavy rain has wreaked havoc in the town claiming the life of a youth and bringing down several trees and electric poles.

Karthik

Karthik (28), son of Ramaiah of G. Bommanahalli in the taluk is the deceased. He along with his friends Sunil and Cheeranahalli Manju had come to the town in a van, to buy clothes for his birthday. Around 9 pm, a tree at the curve near the hospital on 100 Feet Road fell on the van, following heavy rain and wind. Though passersby rushed to their help, Karthik who was trapped inside the mangled vehicle was killed on the spot, while two others had a providential escape.

Mandya East Police rushed to the spot and shifted the body of Karthik to the mortuary of Mandya Institute of Medical Sciences (MIMS).

Mandya MLA Ganiga Ravikumar, who visited the mortuary, provided financial assistance of Rs. 1 lakh from his pocket to the family members of the deceased.

The downpour started on Monday night and lasted for several hours till the early hours of Tuesday, with trees falling on houses and cars on the roads. As a precautionary measure, the Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (Cesc) Limited had disconnected power supply on Monday night itself.

The road users had to bear the brunt as most of the roads including Mysuru-Bengaluru Expressway, Vivekananda Double Road, 100 Feet Road, Bannur Road, DC Office Road to name a few were partially closed with the trees falling on the stretch of these roads.

The Mandya City Municipal Council (CMC) along with CESC undertook restoration works, clearing the uprooted trees which went up till Tuesday evening.

The public vented their anguish on Forest Department and CMC for failing in the maintenance of fully grown trees the roots of which are weak, by not taking up any measures to either prune or cut the branches extending to the road.

Whenever there is heavy rain and wind, the rickety branches fall resulting in damages to human life, public and private properties.

The farmers also had to feel the pinch, as the heavy rain partially damaged crops in the rural areas of the district.

Tiger rescued from passion fruit farm

Mysuru, May 8 (SBD&KS)- Close to the heels of an 8-year-old tiger being rescued from the banana plantation of one Sulochana in Malali village at Metikuppe-Antharasanthe Forest Range in H.D. Kote taluk on Saturday, a three-year-old tigress has been successfully rescued from a passion fruit farm in Malali village at Metikuppe-Antharasanthe Forest Range in H.D. Kote on Monday.

The Forest officials and staff of Antharasanthe Range, who rushed to the village following information about a tigress hiding in the passion fruit farm, made sure about the presence of the tigress, informed their higher officials, summoned elephants Mahendra and Bhima to the spot and conducted an operation.

When the tigress was spotted, it was tranquillised by the veterinarian and captured successfully. The health of the tigress was checked and after it was found to be healthy, it was released into the Tiger Reserve Forest.

Nagarahole Tiger Reserve Director Harshakumar Chikkanaragunda guided Metikuppe ACF K.N. Rangaswamy, H.D. Kote ACF Abhishek, Nagarahole Veterinarian Dr. H. Ramesh, Range Forest Officers (RFOs) Bharat Talawar, S.D. Madhu, K.N. Harshith and Pooja Yaligar, Dubare DRFO Ranjan, Antharasanthe Police Sub-Inspector and staff in the operation.

Heavy rains expected in Mysuru, Mandya and Chamarajanagar today

15.5 mm rains in Mysuru district yesterday

Mysuru, May 8 (BLU&KS)- The Meteorological Department has predicted heavy rains in Mysuru, Mandya and Chamarajanagar districts today.

The Weather Department has also predicted heavy winds at a speed between 30 and 40 kilometres along with heavy rains accompanied by thunder and lightnings today. Yesterday morning, Mysuru city received rains from 2 am to 5 am thus cooling the temperature to some extent. Mysuru district has received 15.5 mm rains yesterday.

Taluk-wise rainfall

Mysuru city – 26.7 mm; H.D. Kote – 5.9 mm; Hunsur – 9.9 mm; K.R. Nagar – 1.1 mm; Nanjangud – 42.1 mm; Periyapatna – 0.6 mm; T. Narasipur – 27.3 mm and Saragur – 5.0 mm rainfall was recorded yesterday. But Saligrama taluk in Mysuru district has not received any rains.

Attempt to blackmail woman; daughter lodges complaint against two

Mysuru, May 8 (SPN&KS)- Kuvempunagar Police have registered a case against two persons on charges of attempting to blackmail a woman by threatening to send her photos and voice recording to her relatives.

The woman's daughter in her complaint has stated that her distant relative Umapathi of Coimbatore and Sheela Gopal, a resident of Aravinda Nagar in city are the ones who blackmailed and threatened her mother.

She has further stated that Umapathi had recorded the conversation between her mother and him over the phone and had downloaded her mother's photos from her (mother) mobile phone without her knowledge.

Using the same photos and voice recordings, they threatened her mother of sending the photos and voice recordings to her relatives thus blackmailing her resulting in her mother getting depressed.

The girl in her complaint to Kuvempunagar Police has sought legal action against the two.

VOICE OF THE READER

Parking fees: Will Railway authorities clarify?

Sir,

I had parked my two-wheeler on Apr. 30 around 6.40 am at the parking area of City Railway Station. On May 1, I returned and took my two-wheeler at around 7.10 am.

The parking staff charged Rs. 60. I said it is Rs. 30 for 24 hours and Rs. 10 for next two hours totalling Rs. 40 as per the fees displayed on the board.

The staff said, after 24 hours, full charge is applicable for next day and showed me the bottom line — written as "Next everyday" and charges mentioned for 12 to 24 hours in each vehicle category. Also, the staff informed me that previous contract was on hourly basis and now tender is floated on "everyday" basis.

Most of the vehicle owners paid the amount demanded by the staff.

I request the Railway authorities to clarify whether the:

1. Tender floated as displayed on the lines of collection "especially after 24 hours"?

2. Which way 24-hour basis is being taken into consideration?

— S.P. Vajranabha
Hebbal
5.5.2024

GRS Fantasy Park announces historic Gold Treasure Hunt on Akshaya Tritiya

Mysuru, May 8- GRS Fantasy Park is all set to make history this Akshaya Tritiya by organising a Gold Treasure Hunt. This event offers visitors a unique opportunity to double their excitement. On this auspicious day, visitors can enjoy all the thrilling rides and attractions at GRS Fantasy Park while also standing a chance to win gold coins.

Akshaya Tritiya, a day associated with prosperity and good fortune, is the perfect occasion for a grand event. Visitors to the park on May 10 can participate in a Treasure Hunt that adds extra excitement to their day of fun and adventure. They will have a chance to hunt for real gold coins.

GRS Summer Fest: Visitors can indulge in the park's three new attractions — Crazy Spin, Double Cycle and Human Gyro thrilling rides, alongside delectable food options and live entertainment. Acrobats from across the nation flock to Mysuru for GRS Summer Carnival, ensuring an exhilarating and enjoyable day for the entire family.

For details on Gold Treasure Hunt and other upcoming events at GRS Fantasy Park, contact Mob: 95900-80808.

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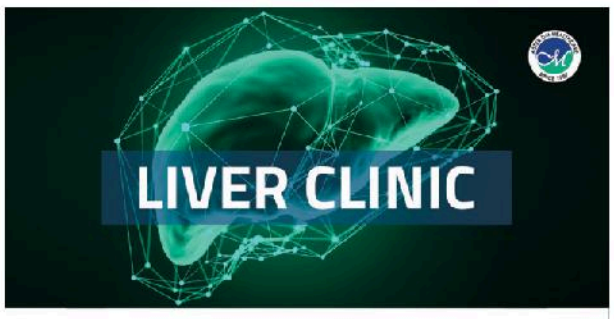

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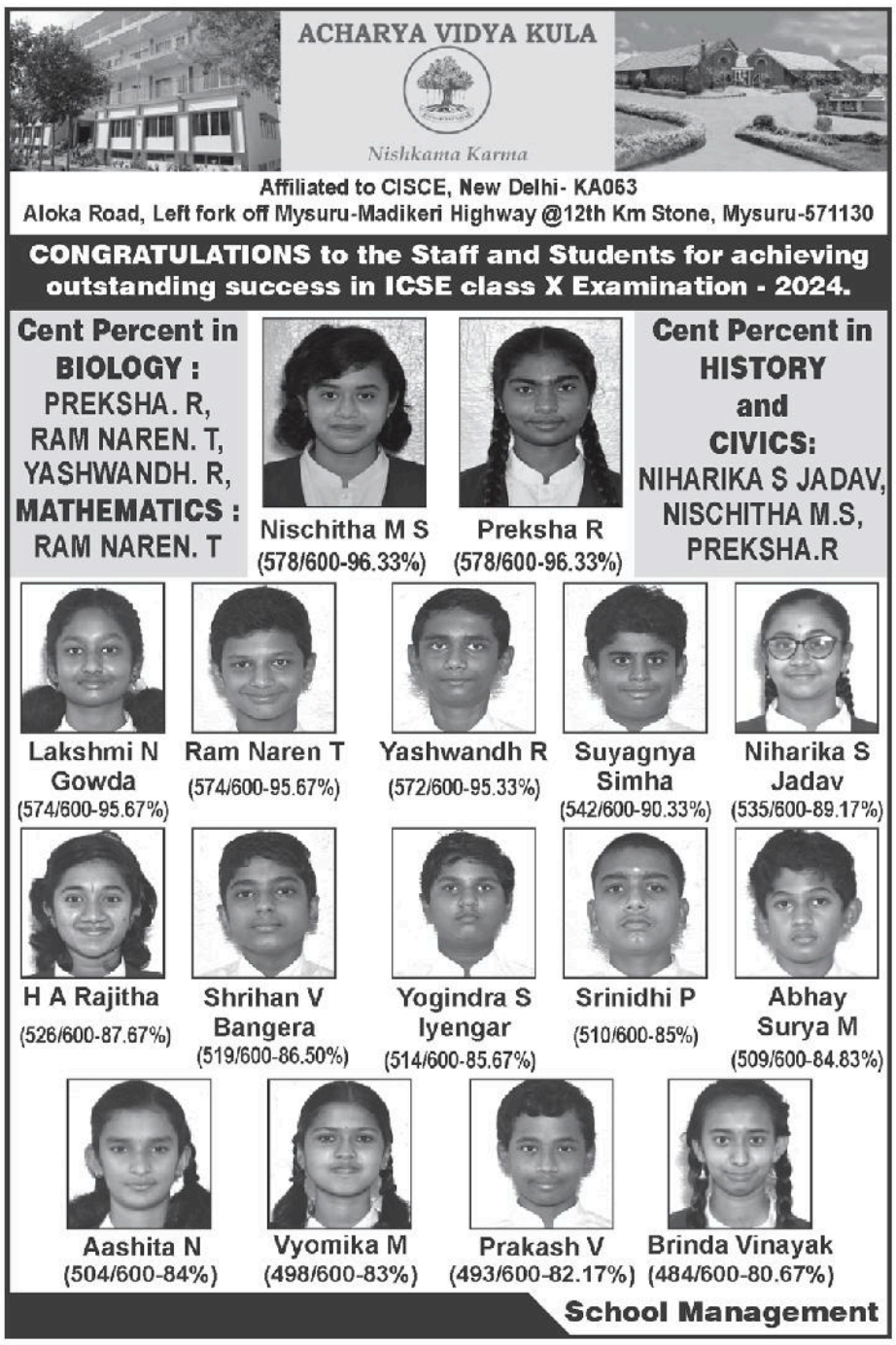
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School Management

Abracadabra... Abracadabra...

By K.B. Ganapathy

Why Govt. School and College buildings are dilapidated and rundown?

Kengal Hanumanthaiah

The Chemistry Lab of Maharani's Science College which collapsed on Oct. 21, 2022.

The Department of Collegiate Education, Government of Karnataka, had released huge amount in crores to 460 Government First Grade Colleges in the State during the academic year 2023-24. This amount was released under non-salaries and salaries expenditure. With this funds one would expect the Principals of the respective colleges to utilise the funds for the development and good of the college, both academically and in improving the infrastructure.

It is well-known that Government buildings are generally eyesores, neglected without periodic repairs and maintenance. As a consequence we have many incidents of Government buildings collapsing, specially during monsoon. The recent example was the collapse of a portion of a building in the Maharani's Science College in city (Oct. 21, 2022).

This happens despite Government's good intention and concern for maintaining the buildings and providing infrastructure. It is for this reason, the State Government allotted funds for the year 2023-24. But the Principals of these colleges did not use that fund for the purpose it was given, except for a very few. As the colleges did not use the funds, Rs. 18.46 crore has been returned to the Finance Department. Apparently while allocating funds for this purpose for the 2024-25 academic year the amount of allocation would be reduced for obvious reason that the colleges do not need more funds as they have returned the money earlier. Following the non-ultilisation of the fund, the Department of Collegiate Education has, in a routine manner, sought an explanation from the Principals of these respective colleges. It would indeed be interesting to go through their explanation. But the question is: Who will read those 400 explanations? Herein lies the failure not of the Principals but of the big boss who presides over the Department of the Collegiate Education.

Wonder how this fund is allotted to these 460 Government First Grade Colleges. If it is on the requisition made by each college, then the fault lies with the Principals. It would tantamount to dereliction of duty. If it is an annual blanket allocation where the total amount is apportioned to 460 colleges based on some parameter or equally, then the Principals may have good reason not to utilise the fund. Further the question arises why there is no monitoring of the colleges to check if the funds are properly utilised or why it is not utilised.

Perhaps this is the reason why we find all Government colleges in a dilapidated, rundown condition without even a wash on the walls. The Principals could have used the available funds at least for the maintenance of the building and requisitioned more funds if needed.

It is the perception among the college heads that it is safe to do nothing than doing only to face consequences. Which means inviting RTI activists and allegations of misuse of funds leading to punishment transfer or Court cases.

Therefore, the armchair top bureaucracy of the Department should see beyond his/her chair and desk, send his/her officials to visit the 400 colleges, meet the Principal in his/her own place of work (not call the Principal to the bureaucrat's office in Bengaluru or wherever) and submit a report to the Big Boss. This old, outdated practice of calling for an explanation will not help achieving the purpose for which the fund is provided.

This style of working (which may be so in all Government Departments) will not help in improving the Government functioning. It only shows that there is no vision nor responsibility on the part of the top bureaucrats of the Department. Working in a routine manner, as per rule book is the way they know and our government officials work. But in a free country either we must change the rule or go beyond the confines of office. After all, Education Department is responsible for raising the healthy, bright nursery of human resource needed for the healthy growth and fast development of our country.

Kengal Hanumanthaiah was the Chief Minister of Mysore State (now Karnataka) during 1952-1956. Once he was going to T. Narasipur via Mysore with D. Javaregowda [Dejagow — later College Professor and Vice-Chancellor of Mysore University]. On the way, the Chief Minister asked the driver to reverse the vehicle and take a village road that had a signboard of a Government school.

According to Dejagow, the Chief Minister had remembered a letter sent to him by the School Head Master when he saw the school signboard. The letter had made some demands for the school development. Fortunately, the Head Master was present in the school and was shocked to see the Chief Minister himself in person. He was nervous and shivering. But soon the Chief Minister made him feel comfortable and even complimented him for his concern for the school. We need today that kind of Head Masters and Principals and that kind of Chief Ministers or Education Ministers.

I know of a Minister, then an MLA, who visited a school on Gaddige Road in Mysuru and got the poor Head Mistress transferred. Offence: She did not invite him for the inauguration of two classrooms donated by Rotary. This was nearly three decades ago. But this style of functioning by our present day rulers could be seen even to this day in various forms. Did you get me Steve?

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Free Training at RUDSETI

Mysuru, May 8- The Rural Development and Self Employment Training Institute (RUDSETI), Mysuru, will be conducting the following skill training programme under the scheme of National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM), Zilla Panchayat (ZP), Mysuru, at RUDSETI premises on Hinkal Main Road:

• Paper Cover, Envelop and File Making from May 13 to 22;
• Jute bag manufacturing from May 16 to 28. Both the programmes are free of cost including boarding and lodging.

Candidates, aged between 18 and 45 years, who can read and write in Kannada are eligible to apply. Preference will be given to rural BPL candidates.

Interested candidates must submit an application with mobile number, photocopies of Aadhaar card and Ration card. Candidates will be selected based on direct interview.

For details, contact Ph: 0821-2519663 or Mob: 94498-60466 or 97404-30061.

Discourses at RK Ashram

Mysuru, May 8- Sri Ramakrishna (RK) Ashram, Mysuru, has organised the following discourses at its premises in Yadavagiri at 6 pm: **May 11:** Swami Muktidanandaji will speak on 'Daiva Praja Japa Karma Yajna Spiritualising Work.' **May 12:** Swami Yukteshanandaji will speak on 'Srimate Sarada Devi.'

Diploma in Handloom & Textile Technology

Mysuru, May 8 (DM)- Karnataka Handloom Technology Institute (KHTI), Gadag, has invited applications from eligible candidates for lateral admission to 2nd year Diploma in Handloom and Textile Technology. There are 32 seats and admission is open for both boys and girls.

The applicants must have passed 12th standard (II PUC) with Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry as core subjects or must have passed 2-year ITI Course after SSLC.

The upper age limit for general category candidates, as on July 1, 2024, is 25 years and 27 years for SC/ST candidates.

The interested students can download the prescribed application forms by logging on to ***https://khtigadag.ac.in/Lateralentryadmissionform.pdf*** and the last date for submission of filled in forms along with necessary documents is May 31.

For more details, contact KHTI (Narasapur, Betageri, Gadag) Principal on Ph: 08372-297221 or the office of the Deputy Director of Handloom and Textiles located on Sayyaji Rao Road in Mysuru on Ph: 0821-2441353.

Mysuru markets await their 'King' and 'Sultan'

Mango Prices in HOPCOMS
Badami - Rs. 140 per kg
Raspuri - Rs. 120 per kg
Totapuri - Rs. 40 per kg

Months of severe drought conditions hit Mango, Jackfruit yield; shortage in supply

Mysuru, May 8 (VNS)- One is hailed as the 'King' and the other revered as the 'Sultan' of fruits, and both grace the summer season, much to the delight of people eagerly awaiting to savour their succulent flavours.

Yes, you guessed it right. We're talking about mangoes and jackfruits. However, the markets are still awaiting their arrival. Though a few shops offer mangoes, jackfruits seem to be scarce in the market or localities.

With the State grappling with severe drought this year, not only farmers cultivating sugarcane, paddy and other crops are bearing the brunt, but also those who own mango groves and jackfruit orchards. Traditionally, by this time, Mysuru would host jackfruit and mango melas. However, there are no signs of them yet due to the decreased harvest this season.

Persistent heat causes flower drop: Although flowering was delayed this year, farmers remained optimistic about achieving an average yield. However, their expectations were dashed by the onset of extreme heat conditions. Typically occurring from December to January, this year witnessed only a 10-15 percent flowering during that period. It wasn't until February that flowering flourished across all trees. Unfortunately, as the time for fruit setting approached, flowers began to drop due to the persistent heat.

Despite hopeful anticipation, the much-needed rain failed to materialise, leaving farmers in a precarious situation. Mangoes and jackfruits are cultivated across approximately 3,000 hectares in the Mysuru region, primarily in Mysuru, H.D. Kote, Periyapatna and Nanjangud taluks.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Manjunath Angadi, Deputy Director of the Department of Horticulture, mentioned: "This year, the arrival of both fruits is delayed due to high temperatures and inadequate rainfall. However, we anticipate them to hit the market anytime soon."

Jackfruit scarce too: During the summer season, one could typically encounter vendors selling jackfruits and mangoes along almost every main road. Farmers from neighbouring villages used to flock in large numbers, loaded with these fruits to sell in the market. However, this year, the farmers are yet to arrive with their produce.

"Despite our best efforts to obtain finest varieties of fruit, the yield has not been satisfactory. Though there was lack of rainfall, we have ensured that the trees receive sufficient water through tankers. We remain optimistic about achieving a good yield in the coming days as there are predictions of ample rainfall," said Kalegowda, a farmer in H.D. Kote.

"In previous years, we would receive mangoes from villages surrounding Mysuru city by this time. However, we have not received as much as expected due to the decreased yield. We hope that the yield will improve so that mangoes become readily available in the market. This year, mango prices are notably higher compared to previous years," remarked Suryakumar, Former President of Mysuru District Horticulture Produce Growers Co-operative Marketing & Processing Society Ltd.

Amidst uncertainty surrounding the mango supply to the market, the scheduling of the popular mango and jackfruit melas remains undecided. According to sources, the timing of these events will be determined based on the arrival of fruits from the growing regions.

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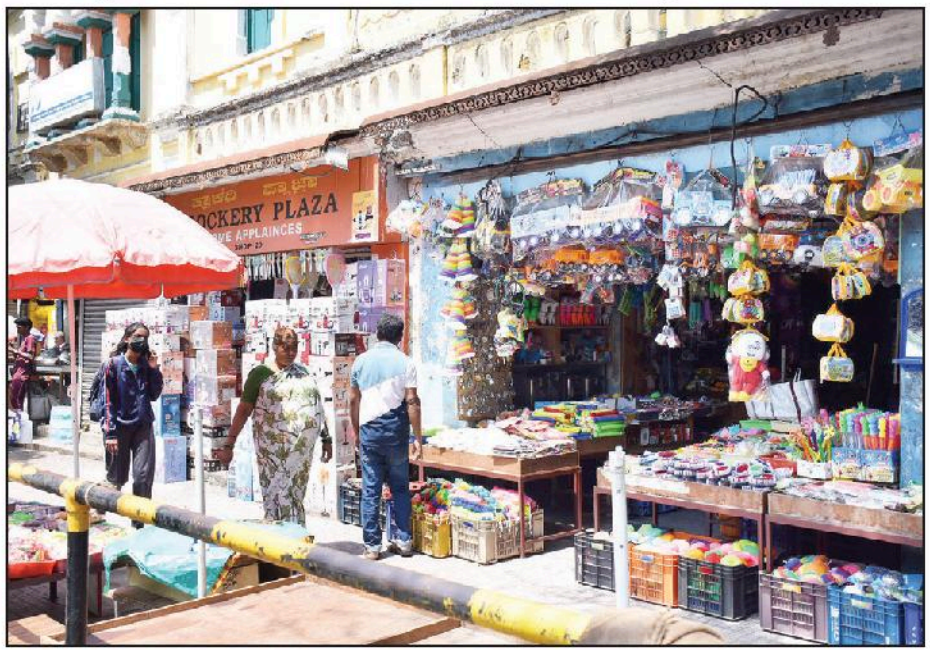
They are back, again!

Street vendors return to encroach footpaths around Devaraja Market



Mysuru, May 8 (RK&VNS)- Just a couple of months after an eviction drive was conducted by Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) during which about 1,500 shops cleared from the footpaths of both sides surrounding Sayyaji Rao Road, near Dufferin Clock Tower and K.R. Circle, the street vendors have again occupied the footpaths causing inconvenience to pedestrians.

During the previous drive, MCC Commissioner Dr. N.N. Madhu had warned the street vendors of consequences on violating orders. However, the vendors seem to have not taken the warning serious as they have returned to set up their shops on the footpaths.

Not only the street vendors, the shop owners have also occupied the footpaths placing advertisement boards and other articles causing problems for the pedestrians.

Even the MCC officials who visit Devaraja Market on a daily basis seem to have neglected the menace. Moreover, the street vendors, taking the advantage of the officials being deputed to election duty, returned to encroach the footpaths from K.R. Hospital to K.R. Circle on Sayyaji Rao Road including the Makkaji Chowk area making it difficult for the pedestrians.

Not only in the Central Business District area, the footpaths encroachments are seen in almost all areas including Chamundipuram, Nazarbad Main Road, Bamboo Bazar Road, Chamaraja Double Road, Shivaji Road in N.R. Mohalla, Temple Road in V.V. Mohalla, Gokulam Main Road, Ashoka Road, B.N. Road, Vishwamanava Double Road and Jodi Basava Road in Kuvempunagar, Ramakrishnanagar, T.K. Layout, Jayalakshmipuram, Vijayanagar 1st, 2nd and 3rd Stages, Bogadi, Hinkal and others, where the footpaths have been occupied by fast food vendors.

What's more annoying is that a few private vehicle agencies occupy the parking space located near Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry the whole day leaving no space for the general public visiting Dhanvantri Road and Shivarampet to park their vehicles.

Raja Marga becomes a business hub

Sayyaji Rao Road, declared as 'Raja Marga' by our District Administration, has become a hub for business for auto consultancy, tailor shops and hotels, which do business of lakhs of rupees on a daily basis.

The officials have turned a blind eye despite complaints being lodged by the general public. Being the home town of Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, mismanagement seems to have taken over the administration at MCC.

No end for plastic use

The ban imposed on single use plastic seems to be only on papers as no measures have been taken to implement the same. While Deputy Commissioner Dr. K.V. Rajendra had instructed the MCC to strictly impose the ban, the sale of single use plastic still continues in the heart of the city. The raids conducted by MCC officials have no effect on the sale of plastic as it is still sold in the open market.

Will evict them soon: MCC Commissioner

Dr. Madhu

Reacting to *Star of Mysore*, Dr. N.N. Madhu, Commissioner, Mysuru City Corporation (MCC), said: "It has come to my notice about street vendors encroaching the footpaths in front of Dufferin Clock Tower, Sayyaji Rao Road, Old Bank Road and K.R. Circle. Despite warning them not to set up their shops on footpaths, they have continued to violate the instructions. Since all officials were busy with the election duty, we could not attend to the issue. I will instruct the health and environment officers to take up the eviction of encroachments as early as possible."

Officials clear encroachment on Chamaraja Double Road

Mysuru, May 8 (RK&VNS)- With Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) coming under severe criticism from the general public for not clearing footpath encroachments, the officials attached to MCC conducted a footpath clearing drive on Chamaraja Double Road on May 6.

The officials, led by MCC Environment Officer Mythri and Health Inspector Raju, who arrived at the Chamaraja Double Road, instructed the automobile shop owners and mechanics to clear the encroachments on the footpaths to make way for the pedestrians.

The shop owners were imposed a fine of Rs. 5,000 for violating the rules and were also warned of consequences.

Trees continue to fall across city...

Though fallen trees and branches across the city due to heavy rains and gusty winds on Friday are yet to be cleared, trees and branches continue to fall in city. While a Gulmohar (May Flower) tree fell across the road near Canara Bank in VV Mohalla, huge branches of a Peepal Tree fell across Valmiki Road yesterday snapping power lines and bringing down many electric poles in the process. Meanwhile, public are cautioned not to stand under trees or tie cattle to trees during rains as trees are prone to attract lightning which may prove fatal to human beings and animals.

Ban feeding pigeons in front of Mysore Palace North Gate

BJP leader R. Raghu writes to DC Dr. K.V. Rajendra seeking action

Dr. Rajendra

R. Raghu

Mysuru, May 8 (BS)- State BJP OBC Morcha President R. Raghu (Kautilya) has demanded for banning the practice of feeding pigeons outside the North Gate of Mysore Palace near Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple in city.

In a letter to Mysuru Deputy Commissioner Dr. K.V. Rajendra, Raghu has made several observations, mainly the hundreds of pigeons that roost around the Palace becoming the reason for marring the beauty and stability of Palace structure by building nests.

The statue of Chamaraja Wadiyar X, father of Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar, facing the North Gate of the Palace and the area around the statue is riddled with waste, which is an insult to the king who has made several historical contributions to the development of erstwhile Mysore Province.

The menace of pigeons is also proving unhealthy for the vendors who have set up makeshift stalls, priests and general public, besides severely inconveniencing pedestrians and vehicular traffic.

In this wake, the District Administration, Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) and the Department of Archaeology, Museums and Heritage should take action by prohibiting the practice of feeding pigeons by spreading the grains, up to the radius of 2 kms around the magnificent Mysore Palace, the BJP leader has urged in his letter.

Sex Scandal

JD(S) holds protest rally, demands judicial inquiry

Mysuru, May 8 (MTY&VNS)- Hundreds of JD(S) activists, led by party Core Committee Chairman and MLA G.T. Devegowda (GTD) and Working President S.R. Mahesh held a massive protest rally against the Congress State Government accusing it of conspiring against JD(S) and former Prime Minister H.D. Deve Gowda's family, here this morning.

The party workers and leaders, who assembled in front of old KMF Milk Dairy in Siddarthanagar, took out a protest march till the new Deputy Commissioner's Office where they staged a dharna shouting slogans against the Congress Government.

Addressing the protestors, GTD alleged that the entire episode of releasing the alleged pen drives purportedly belonging to Hassan MP and Lok Sabha candidate Prajwal Revanna was a conspiracy against H.D. Deve Gowda's family and to tarnish the image of JD(S).

"Party leader and Holenarasipur MLA H.D. Revanna has been arrested by Special Investigation Team (SIT) without having any evidence against him in the alleged kidnap of one of the sexual assault victims. Prajwal Revanna has been named in the sex scandal while his identity is yet to be ascertained in the videos that are being circulated," he added.

Stating that the SIT investigation will not bring out the truth as there have been efforts to twist the entire case, GTD added that only judicial inquiry can bring out the truth.

S.R. Mahesh, who also spoke on the occasion, termed the entire case as the State Government sponsored event with an aim to tarnish the image of H.D. Deve Gowda's family.

He also said that the claim of kidnapped victim being rescued from a JD(S) leader's farm house was false and alleged that the SIT was working as per the instructions of the State Government.

MLA G.D. Harish Gowda, MLC C.N. Manjegowda, former MLAs K. Mahadev and M. Ashwin Kumar, JD(S) District President Narasimhaswamy, City President K.T. Cheluvegowda and others took part in the protest.

Fund crunch halts underground electric cabling works in city

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Previously, the Karnataka Electricity Board (KEB) supplied electricity through conventional methods, involving transformers connected to feeder units with wires for transmission. However, this approach proved vulnerable, particularly during inclement weather, leading to frequent power outages and substantial losses.

Instances of fatalities involving both humans and livestock have been reported due to contact with live electric wires, often resulting from snapped wires or transformer explosions. The risk is compounded by the supply of 430 voltage power through 11 kv transformers.

The establishment of Electricity Supply Companies (ESCOMs) following the restructuring of the KEB led to the formation of CESC. Before the COVID-19 pandemic, authorities in 2018-19 proposed a Rs. 300 crore initiative to install UG cable lines in Mysuru city.

After KERC approval, the Government allocated funds. Larsen and Toubro (L&T) and Asian Fabtech were awarded the work order through a tender process to install 144.69 km of 400 square millimetres (MM) capacity cable and 301.25 km of 244 square MM capacity cables.

The areas initially targeted for coverage under the UG cable network included the Central, NR and VV Mohalla Sub-divisions. The Central Sub-division encompasses areas surrounding Mysore Palace and adjacent residential and commercial areas.

The NR Sub-division covers NR Mohalla and Rajendra Nagar, while the VV Mohalla Sub-division includes prominent roads where cables were laid using High Definition Digging Mechanism (Horizontal Directional Drilling). Currently, 30 percent of the city benefits from UG power supply. However, plans to extend this coverage to the remaining 70 percent of the city face uncertainty.

Despite submitting a proposal eight months ago for Rs. 600 crore to commence the second phase, CESC finds itself at a standstill. The project remains pending with the KERC due to a fund crunch.

Last Friday's rains wreaked havoc in city and district, causing extensive damage to several hundred transformers and electric poles. The estimated loss incurred by CESC due to this destruction amounts to Rs. 80 lakh.

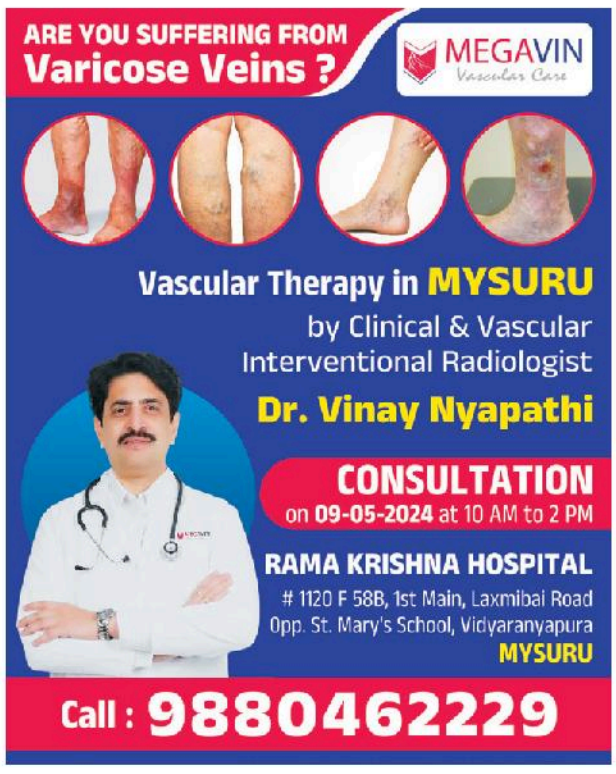
Any delay in the comprehensive implementation of the UG cable project, which requires a one-time investment, not only poses financial risks for CESC but also threatens the aesthetic appeal of the city. The presence of damaged poles and dangling cables would create an unsightly scene for residents and tourists.

Installation of UGD pipeline

Traffic restricted on Azeez Sait Double Road

Mysuru, May 8 (KS)- As the Water Supply and UGD Division of Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has taken up laying of UGD pipeline on Azeez Sait Double Road from Udayagiri Police Station till Ghousianagar, traffic has been restricted temporarily on the above road till tomorrow (May 9).

Motorists have been asked to take alternate routes and co-operate, according to a press release from the Executive Engineer, Water Supply and UGD Division of MCC.



'Bannada Okuli' brings cheers among children at 'Chinnara Mela' valedictory

Mysuru, May 8 (PM&VNS)- With temperatures at an all-time high, children taking part in the 'Chinnara Mela' enjoyed playing 'Bannada Okuli' as part of the valedictory of the month-long theatre training camp at Rangyana yesterday. Children were seen spraying coloured water on each other much to their delight.

Earlier, delivering the valedictory address, Theatre Person and Director Shashank Soghal remembered his younger days during which he had taken part in the Chinnara Mela for continuous seven years and added that the annual summer camp had played pivotal role in him entering the world of art and entertainment.

Shanshank, who rose to fame with his directorial debut movie 'Daredevil Mustafa' entertained the children with the song 'Ondu Totadalli Nooru Hoovu Arali...' from the same movie.

Speaking on the occasion, Chamarajanagar's Deenabandhu Trust Founder Prof. G.S. Jayadeva asked children if they had developed friendship at the 'Chinnara Mela' and said that friendship was to understand each other. "At schools there is a competition among the students to score marks. In Rangayana, it is an opportunity to see life beyond class rooms," he added.

Delivering her introductory speech, Rangayana Deputy Director Nirmala Mathapati said that Rangayana had been organising 'Chinnara Mela' for the past 25 years and added that among the parents who had joined their children to the annual camp, a few of them have been a part of the 'Chinnara Mela' during their childhood.

"The demand for 'Chinnara Mela' has not seen a decline since the very first year as we have been promoting theatre and related activities among the young minds. This year a total of 320 children had taken part in the summer camp which was held for a period of 25 days," she added.

'Chinnara Mela' participants Parikshith and Abhilasha and parents of participating children Dr. Priyanka and Vishwa Aradhya shared their opinion about the theatre camp. Department of Kannada and Culture Director Dr. K. Dharanidevi Malagatti presided over the event. 'Chinnara Mela' Convenor Geetha Montadka was present.

Theatre Person and Director Shashank Soghal addressing the gathering at the valedictory of 'Chinnara Mela' at Vanaranga in Rangayana premises last evening as (sitting from left) 'Chinnara Mela' Convenor Geetha Montadka, Rangayana Deputy Director Nirmala Mathapati, Department of Kannada and Culture Director Dr. K. Dharanidevi Malagatti and Chamarajanagar's Deenabandhu Trust Founder Prof. G.S. Jayadeva look on. Picture centre and extreme right show children enjoying with 'Bannada Okuli.'

Bhagini Ramotsava - Music Festival

A concert of classicism and creativity

If you are on instagram and if you follow Karnatak music, then you cannot miss this girl's singing. She has posted several compositions sung beautifully with the violin accompaniment of her husband Vittal Rangan who is a product of Kanyakumari School.

Young **Vidu. Kruthi Bhat** sang for Bhagini Ramotsava on the second day of the music series at BSS Vidyodaya in Krishnamurthypuram, Mysuru, on May 6. She was accompanied by **Vid. Vittal Rangan** on violin, **Vid. B.S. Prashanth** on mridanga and **Vid. Shamit Gowda** on ghata.

The concert was marked for classicism and creativity, which is becoming with her name. Born into a family of musicians and trained by her mother Rajarajeshwari and Uncle Sri Vittal Murthy, Kruthi is also fortunate to learn from veterans like T.R. Subramanyam, Lalgudi G. Jayaraman,

Vidu. Kruthi Bhat performing at BSS Vidyodaya in Krishnamurthypuram, Mysuru, on May 6 as part of 'Bhagini Ramotsava - Music Festival.' She is accompanied by Vid. Vittal Rangan on violin, Vid. B.S. Prashanth on mridanga and Vid. Shamit Gowda on ghata.

Neyveli Santanagopalan and Soaumya, all of which has fine-tuned her music to refinement and maturity.

Kruthi possesses an enviably melodious voice. The first hour of the concert dragged on with no raga elaboration but just presentation of a number of compositions. 'MAthe malayadhwaja pAndya sanjAte,' a daru varna by Harikesha Nellur Muttiah Bhagavatar, Purandaradasaru's 'VandisuvudAdiyali GaNanAthana' set to Khanda Chapu, embellished with swaras, 'SogasugA mrudanga tALamu' by Tyagraja in Sriranjani, which could have been elaborated, the popular 'Brovabarama RaghurAma' in Bahudari by Tyagaraja, which was embellished with more than 15 brisk and interesting sarvalaghu swaras in a single avarta and 'BrOvavamma tAmasame' by Shyama Shastri in Mishra Chapu, rendered with emotional content.

The only raga rendered with detailed elaboration in the entire concert was Bilahari for which Vittal Rangan played an enjoyable tanam followed by the composition 'Dorakuna ituvanti seva' by Tyagraja set to Adi tala in vilamba gati. Interestingly, this composition is one of the few compositions of Tyagaraja in which we find madhyama kala sahitya. Kruthi aptly chose the place 'RAma brahma tanayudu Tyagaraja' for neraval and kalpana swaras. The kalpana swaras centering around 's' were creative and created a deep impact.

The taniyavartanam by B.S. Prashanth and Shamit Gowda was highly enjoyed by the artistes and the audience. In the miscellaneous section, Kruthi sang devaranama 'Baro Krishnayya' by Kanakadasa, a Marathi abhang 'bolava Vitthala' and a Lalgudi tillana in Madhuvanti.

The concert concluded with Bhadrachalam Ramadasa's popular mangalam 'Ramachandraya janaka.'

It was a feast to watch the couple exchanging understanding glances smilingly, complementing each other.

—Dr. Padmavathi Narasimhan

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Aavesham (Ma)	:	10.15 pm

'Artistry' Branded Jewellery Show at Malabar open till May 19

Mysuru, May 8- 'Artistry' Branded Jewellery Show, an exclusive exhibition and sale of exquisite creations in gold, diamond and precious gem jewellery was unveiled at the Mysuru store of Malabar Gold & Diamonds, near KSRTC Suburban Bus Stand, Lashkar Mohalla, on May 4 in the presence of privilege customers P. Anjali, K.S. Divya, Mehek Nishad, Bhumika and Management Members — Zonal Head P. Sharafuddeen and Assistant Store Head Fasalu Rahaman.

The show features handpicked creations from Malabar Gold & Diamonds' sub-brands — MINE diamond jewellery, ERA uncut diamond jewellery, DIVINE Indian heritage jewellery, ETHNIX handcrafted jewellery, precious gemstone jewellery from PRECIA and STARLET kids' jewellery.

The Artistry Show will be on till May 19 from 11 am to 9 pm.

EVENTS TODAY (MAY 8)

- **Malabar Gold & Diamonds, Mysuru:** 'Artistry Show - Art in Every Jewel,' an expo-cum-sale of exquisite jewellery, Mysuru Showroom, B.N. Road, near KSRTC Sub-urban Bus Stand, **up to 9 pm.**
- **Sri Nataraja Pratishtana, Sri Hosmutt:** Akka Mahadevi Jayanti celebrations, former Chairperson of Karnataka State Women's Commission Manjula Manasa inaugurates, Kadali Mahila Vedike President Sharada Shivalingaswamy presides, JSS Women's College Kannada Department Assistant Professor J. Pushpalatha delivers lecture on 'Akkana Adhyatma Chintane,' Vachana Gayana by Choodamani, **4.30 pm;** Staging of play 'Thale Danda' by B.Ed students of Sri Nataraja Educational Institution, written by Girish Karnad, directed by Karthik Upamanyu, **7 pm;** Prasada, Sri Hosmutt, **8 pm.**
- **BSS Vidyodaya (formerly Bhagini Seva Samaja):** Bhagini Ramotsava - Music Festival, vocal concert by Vid. Vinayasharva, accompanied by Vidu. C.V. Shruthi on violin, Vid. Radhesh on mridanga and Vid. Srinidhi R. Koundinya on ghata, BSS Vidyodaya premises, next to Raghavendra Swamy Mutt, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.30 pm to 9 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (MAY 9)

- **National Institute of Engineering (NIE):** 13th Annual Sports Meet 2024, retd. Athletic Coach of Sports Authority of India G.R. Prabhakar inaugurates, NIE Principal Dr. Rohini Nagapadma presides, NIE North Campus, **9.30 am.**
- **Maharaja's College:** Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Jayanti celebrations, Prof. Manotakkhita Banteji inaugurates, Centre for Gandhian Studies Director Prof. Narendra Kumar chief guest, Maharaja's College Principal Prof. H. Somashekarappa presides, Administrative Officer Prof. V. Shanmugam and Co-Curricular Activities Committee Convenor Prof. C.E. Lokesh will be present, Centenary Hall, Maharaja's College premises, **10.30 am.**
- **GSSS Institute of Engineering and Technology for Women (GSSSIETW):** Valedictory of Geethayaana-2024, Professor Vidu. Dr. Jyothi Shankar chief guest, GSSS President Dr. M. Jagannath Shenoy presides, M. Govinda Rao Memorial Hall, GSSSIETW premises, **10.30 am.**
- **Sri Nataraja Pratishtana, Sri Hosmutt:** Basava Jayanti celebrations, Chamarajanagar University VC Prof. M.R. Gangadhar inaugurates, KR MLA T.S. Srivatsa presides, writer Prof. Shubha Chandra delivers lecture on 'Basavannanavara Drishtiyalli Prajaprabhutva,' Mysuru District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Dr. Helavarahundi Siddappa chief guest, Pratishtana Special Officer Prof. S. Shivarajappa will be present, **10.30 am;** Prasada, **1 pm;** Vachana Gayana by Choodamani, KR Sub-Division Assistant Commissioner of Police (ACP) H.B. Ramesh Kumar inaugurates, **7 pm;** Prasada, Sri Hosmutt, **9 pm.**
- **Malabar Gold & Diamonds, Mysuru:** 'Artistry Show - Art in Every Jewel,' an expo-cum-sale of exquisite jewellery, Mysuru Showroom, B.N. Road, near KSRTC Sub-urban Bus Stand, **11 am to 9 pm.**
- **BSS Vidyodaya (formerly Bhagini Seva Samaja):** Bhagini Ramotsava - Music Festival, flute recital by Vid. Chandan Kumar, accompanied by Vid. Gokul on violin, Vid. Sai Giridhar on mridanga and Vid. G.S. Ramanujam on ghata, BSS Vidyodaya premises, next to Raghavendra Swamy Mutt, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.30 pm to 9 pm.**

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Prasanna Vadanam (Te)	:	4.40 pm
Aavesham (Ma)	:	6.50 pm
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